STATE OF MAINE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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METROMEDIA FIBER NETWORK SERVICES, INC. Petition for Finding of Public Convenience & Necessity to Provide Local Exchange Service, Exchange Access Service and Facilities Based and Resold Interexchange Service

ORDER DISMISSING APPLICATION

WELCH, Chairman; NUGENT and DIAMOND, Commissioners

I. SUMMARY

In this Order we dismiss without prejudice the Application filed by Metromedia Fiber Networks Services, Inc. (MFNS) for authority to provide local exchange service and interexchange service in the State of Maine.

II. DISCUSSION

On April 5, 2000, MFN filed an application pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 2102 to provide local exchange and interexchange service in Maine. The Commission Staff has communicated with MFN on a number of occasions about deficiencies in the application. MFN has not remedied those deficiencies as of this date. We find that this application has been pending for too lengthy a period and we therefore dismiss it without prejudice. We note that since the application was filed we have made a number of important changes to our application package (that is available at our website and from the Administrative Director). Any new application that MFNS may file should take these changes into account.

Accordingly, we

ORDER

That the application for authority to provide telephone service in Maine filed by Metromedia Fiber Networks Services, Inc. on April 5, 2000, is hereby found to be insufficient and is dismissed without prejudice.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 25th Day of June 2002.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Dennis L. Keschl
Administrative Director

COMMISSIONERS VOTING FOR: Welch

Nugent Diamond

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